

ON THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SERVICE OF THE REV. DR. DWIGHT S. RIDDICK, SR., AT GETHSEMANE BAPTIST CHURCH, NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Reverend Dr. Dwight S. Riddick, Pastor of Gethsemane Baptist Church in Newport News, Virginia. This is the 25th anniversary of Dr. Riddick's service to Gethsemane Baptist and the people of Newport News, and I would like to take this moment to recognize some of his numerous accomplishments during that time.

A native of Chesapeake, Virginia, Dr. Riddick is a graduate of Norfolk State University. In 1991, he received his Master's Degree of Divinity from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University in Richmond, and in 2005, he earned his Doctorate in Ministry from Regent University in Virginia Beach. Dr. Riddick previously served six years as pastor of First Baptist Church of Dendron, Virginia before coming to Gethsemane Baptist.

In his position as Pastor of Gethsemane, Dr. Riddick has been an extraordinary shepherd over a vibrant and growing flock. Under his visionary leadership, Gethsemane Baptist has grown from a mission with 200 individuals to a church with well over 3,000 active members. I have attended Sunday services at Gethsemane Baptist and have seen his hand at work in his church and community. During his tenure, the Church established a learning and child development center, a Christian school and a Bible Institute. In addition, several community outreach programs and ministries have been created during Dr. Riddick's tenure.

Dr. Riddick led a successful building program which resulted in the construction of the current church building at Chestnut Avenue and 36th Street, and he is currently leading another building program which will result in the Church's second location on a 16-acre campus in Newport News.

Aside from his duties at Gethsemane, Dr. Riddick currently serves as the President of the Baptist General Convention of Virginia, a group with over 1000 member churches. He also serves as the Vice President of the Hampton University Minister's Conference, a member of the Board of Trustees at Virginia Union University, and an Advisory Committee member of Consolidated Bank and Trust.

On the occasion of his 25th anniversary, it gives me great pleasure to recognize and commend Reverend Dr. Dwight S. Riddick for his service and dedication to the parishioners of Gethsemane Baptist Church, the people of Newport News, and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

HONORING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AVIATION DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS ANA M. SOTORRIO

HON. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Ana Sotorrio, the Associate Director of Government Affairs for the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, who has announced that she will be retiring from her post after 30 years of dedicated service to our community.

Mrs. Sotorrio joined Miami Dade's Aviation Department in 1988 and became an Associate Director in 1990. The Miami-Dade Aviation Department operates several aviation facilities, including Miami International Airport. Under her tenure, the airport experienced dramatic growth, becoming one of the leading international passenger and freight airports in the world, as well as the largest U.S. gateway for Latin America and the Caribbean. As Associate Director of Government Affairs for the department, Mrs. Sotorrio worked alongside the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners and gained approval for several of her department's leases, contracts, fiscal, and legislative proposals.

Ana has left a mark of professionalism and serves as an example for others to follow.

Mrs. Sotorrio has earned the opportunity to spend time with her loved ones and dedicate herself to other pursuits. Her family is everything to her, and she will love spending more time with her beloved granddaughter, Bianca, her son, Carlos Jr., her daughter, Jessica, and of course, her husband, Carlos to whom she has been married for over 35 years.

On behalf of a grateful community, I wish to thank Ana Sotorrio for her outstanding service and wish her the best in her future endeavors. Ana, may you long enjoy your retirement with family and friends.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2010 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JULY 20

10 a.m.

Judiciary

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Elena Kagan, of Massachusetts, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SH-216

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Security and International Trade and Finance Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine continuing oversight on international cooperation to modernize financial regulation.

SD-538

2 p.m.

Rules and Administration

Business meeting to consider the nomination of William J. Boorman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office.

S-216, Capitol

2:30 p.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of James Franklin Jeffrey, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, Maura Connelly, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, and Gerald M. Feierstein, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen, all of the Department of State.

SD-419

Intelligence

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of James R. Clapper, of Virginia, to be Director of National Intelligence.

SD-G50

JULY 21

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD-366

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine improvements to the post-9/11 Government Issue (GI) Bill.

SR-418

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the semi-annual monetary policy report to the Congress.

SD-G50

Finance

To hold hearings to examine an update on the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP).

SD-215

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine treating rare and neglected pediatric diseases, focusing on promoting the development of new treatments and cures.

SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Homeland Security Department's Quadrennial Homeland Security Review and Bottom Up Review.

SD-342

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the Second Chance Act, focusing on strengthening safe and effective community reentry.

SD-226

AUGUST 5

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast
Guard Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine ensuring effective clean up and restoration in the Gulf.

SR-253

2 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs), focusing on if CCRCs are a secure retirement or a risky investment.

SD-106

2:30 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
To hold hearings to examine Security and Accountability For Every (SAFE) Port Act reauthorization, focusing on our nations infrastructure.

SR-253

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Scot Alan Marciel, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, Judith R. Fergin, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, and Helen Patricia Reed-Rowe, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Palau, all of the Department of State, and Robert M. Orr, of Florida, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador.

SD-419

JULY 22

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine disaster medical preparedness, focusing on im-

proving coordination and collaboration in the delivery of medical assistance during disasters.

SD-342

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Employment and Workplace Safety Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine workplace safety and worker protections at BP.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee

To resume hearings to examine the Gulf of Mexico oil spill, focusing on ensuring a financially responsible recovery.

SD-342

JULY 28

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SD-226

JULY 29

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine closing the language gap, focusing on improving the Federal government's foreign language capabilities.

SD-342

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SR-418

SEPTEMBER 22

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine a legislative presentation focusing on the American Legion.

345, Cannon Building

SEPTEMBER 23

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Veterans' Affairs disability compensation, focusing on presumptive disability decision-making.

SR-418

POSTPONEMENTS

JULY 21

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To resume hearings to examine nuclear terrorism, focusing on strengthening our domestic defenses.

SD-342